GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2990
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LABOURERS EMPLOYED IN SHORT TERM JOBS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of labourers are seasonally employed in the country;

(b) if so, the number of labourers engaged in such jobs at present, State-wise;

(c) the assessment made in regard to the annual income being earned by these labourers through such jobs; and

(d) the minimum/maximum number of man-days generated out of such short term jobs annually?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN)

a): As per the sample survey carried out by National Sample Survey Organisation during 1999-2000, approximately 60% of total work force of 397 million in the country was engaged in agricultural sector where a large number of economic activities are of seasonal nature.

b): Total estimated employment in respect of major States for the year 1999-2000 is given in the Annexure.

c): The annual average wages earned per worker who were engaged as casual labour were around Rs. 7704/- and Rs. 11,748/- in Rural and Urban areas respectively during the year 1999-2000.

d): The information is not maintained.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2990 DUE FOR REPLY ON 9.12.2002.

S.No. Major States Employment during 1999-2000 (in thousands)

1	Andhra Pradesh	36148
2	Assam	9357
3	Bihar	36437
4	Gujrat	22931
5	Haryana	7159
6	Karnataka	23599
7	Kerala	12444
8	Madhya Pradesh	34424
9	Maharashtra	41241
10	Orissa	14981
11	Punjab	9885
12	Rajasthan	23212
13	Tamil Nadu	28895
14	Uttar Pradesh	58924
15	West Bengal	28237
	All India	397000